

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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December 14, 2004

To: All Interested Parties

Draft Resolution T-16897 will be on the agenda of the Commission's January 13, 2005 meeting. This Resolution proposes to approve Citizens Telecommunications Company of California's request in Advice Letter Nos. 722 and 732 to implement a permanent California High Cost Fund-B (CHCF-B) surcredit and true up its three-month temporary CHCF-B catch-up surcredit, respectively.

A copy of the draft resolution is available to the public at the Commission's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov/static/industry/telco/proceedings/resolutions/index.htm. This Notice of Availability of draft resolution T-16897 also informs you of the availability of the conformed resolutions, when adopted by the Commission, at the same website.

Pursuant to Public Utilities (PU) Code 311 (g), this draft resolution is available for public comments. Comments should be focused on factual, legal, and/or technical errors in the draft resolution. Comments must be limited to five pages in length and shall include a subject index listing the recommendations to the draft resolution, a table of authorities, and an appendix setting forth the proposed revised findings and ordering paragraphs.

Draft Resolution T-16897 will be on the agenda of the Commission's January 13, 2005 meeting, which will be held 30 days from the above mailing date. The Commission may vote on the resolution, or it may postpone a vote until later. When the Commission votes on a draft resolution, it may adopt all or part of it as written, amend, or modify it, or set it aside and prepare a different resolution. Only when the Commission acts does a resolution become binding on the parties.

If you wish to be served by parties filing opening and reply comments, please inform the Telecommunications Division, Public Programs Branch, of the California Public Utilities Commission by **December 21, 2004** of your request by e-mail to mhm@cpuc.ca.gov or by mail to the address noted below. Otherwise, comments on Resolutions T-16897 will be addressed only to the Telecommunications Division as stated below. The date of submission is the date the comments are received by the Telecommunications Division. Parties must serve a copy of their comments to each requesting party, if any, as set forth on the Commission web site on the same date that the comments are submitted to the Telecommunications Division. The requesting party list, if any, will be available on the Commission web site at: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/static/industry/telco/public+programs/index.htm> on December 23, 2004.

Comments must be received no later than December 29, 2004 (which is 15 days from the date of this mailing). Reply comments may be submitted on or before January 3, 2004 (5

days after opening comments are submitted) and shall be limited to identifying misrepresentations of law, fact, or condition of the record contained in the comments of other parties. Replies shall not exceed three pages in length and shall be submitted and served in the same manner as opening comments.

Late-filed opening comments and/or reply comments will ordinarily be rejected. However, in extraordinary circumstances, a request for leave to submit comments or replies late may be filed together with proposed comments/replies. An accompanying declaration under penalty of perjury shall be submitted setting forth all the reasons for the late submission.

Request for comments by parties as well as opening comments and reply comments on Resolution T-16897 should be addressed to:

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure

Notice letter mailed/emailed to the following parties:

Citizens Telecommunications Company of California, SBC, Verizon California Inc., SureWest Telephone Company, Cox California Telecom, LLC, AT&T Communications of California, MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC, CHCF-B Administrative Committee, and all parties that informed TD of their e-mail address in order to continue to be on the service list of R.95-01-020/I.95-01-021.